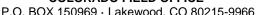
## **COLORADO CROP PROGRESS**



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# CROP PROGRESS AND CONDITION WEEK ENDING JULY 2, 2017

AGRICULTURAL SUMMARY: Despite the scattered thunderstorms experienced across the State, fieldwork including wheat harvest progressed last week, according to the Mountain Regional Field Office of the National Agricultural Statistics Service, USDA. Isolated hail damage midweek was reported in eastern counties. Warm temperatures sustained in northeastern Colorado helped in crop development, but also resulted in an increase in fire danger and the additional need to irrigate crops. Southeastern Colorado experienced warm and dry weather with reports of poor sorghum stands. Wheat harvest was well on the way by week's end in the eastern portion of the State. In Southwestern Colorado, warm and dry weather had stressed some winter wheat fields and reporters stated that livestock pond water was getting low. Reports of potatoes in the San Luis Valley ranged from having poor stands to doing well and small grain crops along with rangeland were reported in good condition. Winter wheat condition was rated 42 percent good to excellent statewide, compared with 66 percent good to excellent last year. Stored feed supplies were rated 2 percent short, 84 percent adequate, and 14 percent surplus. Sheep death loss was 71 percent average and 29 percent light. Cattle death loss was 1 percent heavy, 80 percent average, and 19 percent light.

#### **CROP AND LIVESTOCK PROGRESS**

Commodity	Current week	Previous week	Previous year	5-year average
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Alfalfa	•	*	*	
1 <sup>st</sup> cutting	94	81	93	90
2 <sup>nd</sup> cutting	8	2	17	15
Barley				
Headed	82	53	75	68
Turning color	2	1	8	9
Dry Beans				
Emerged	94	76	93	85
Flowered	2	NA	2	1
Potatoes inside San Luis Valley				
Emerged	96	91	100	100
Sorghum				
Emerged	90	70	93	80
Spring wheat				
Headed	65	40	48	64
Sunflowers				
Planted	90	84	90	90
Winter wheat				
Turning color	95	87	96	92
Mature	65	40	54	53
Harvested	13	1	6	25

NA – not available

(--) – zero

#### DAYS SUITABLE FOR FIELDWORK AND SOIL MOISTURE CONDITION

Commodity	Current week	Previous week	Previous year	5-year average
Days suitable for fieldwork	6.7	6.7	5.2	6.1
Topsoil moisture	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Very short	4	3	1	22
Short	24	15	14	28
Adequate	71	78	78	47
Surplus	1	4	7	3
Subsoil moisture				
Very short	1	3	3	27
Short	21	13	11	25
Adequate	77	81	81	46
Surplus	1	3	5	2

NA – not available

(--) – zero

### CROP, LIVESTOCK, PASTURE AND RANGE CONDITION

	Current week	Previous week	Previous year	5-year average
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Alfalfa	-			
Very poor		2		5
Poor	7	8	1	9
Fair	29	29	12	28
Good	55	50	66	46
Excellent	9	11	21	12
Barley				
Very poor				1
Poor		10	12	1
Fair	22	19	13	21
Good	49	57	52	57
Excellent	29	24	35	20
Corn			1	
Very poor			1	6
Poor	9	6	2	8
Fair	17	11	14	24
Good	63	68	62	50
Excellent	11	15	21	12
Dry Beans				2
Very poor				2
Poor	8		1	3
Fair	24	24	30	41
Good	61	68	55	48
Excellent	7	8	14	6
ivestock Voru poor				2
Very poor				2
Poor	1.5		1	5
Fair	15	11	10	24
Good	73	74	77	61
Excellent	12	15	12	8
Onions				
Very poor				1
Poor			2	5
Fair	18	17	4	18
Good	69	67	76	63
Excellent	13	16	18	13
asture and Range				21
Very poor			3	21
Poor	5	3	4	20
Fair	28	19	19	21
Good	57	65	62	31
Excellent	10	13	12	7
Potatoes inside San Luis Valley				27.4
Very poor				NA
Poor	2	24	17	NA NA
Fair	23	24	17	NA NA
Good	44	53	62	NA NA
Excellent	31	23	21	NA
Potatoes outside San Luis Valley				NI A
Very poor				NA NA
Poor	10	8	 E	NA NA
Fair			5	NA NA
Good Excellent	80 10	77 15	69 26	NA NA
orghum	10	13	20	11/1
	1	1		5
Very poor	5	3		13
Poor	23	19	35	35
FairGood	23 67	71	61	45
Excellent	4	6	4	2
pring Wheat	7			
Very poor				2
Poor	2	1		3
Fair	15	17	7	30
Good	80	79	84	59
Excellent	3	3	9	6
ugarbeets	3			
Very poor			1	1
Poor			2	3
Fair	13	15	15	20
Good	67	65	72	61
Excellent	20	20	10	15
unflowers	20	20	10	1,3
				2
Very poor	1			14
Fair	1 17	18	32	36
	17 67	68	63	38
Good				
Excellent	15	14	5	10
Vinter Wheat	E	_		NT A
Very poor	6	5	2	NA NA
Poor	15	13	8	NA NA
Fair	37	36	24	NA NA
Good	30	33	51	NA
Excellent	12	13	15	NA

NA – not available (--) – zero